

§ 1320.5 Additional charges.

When a carrier—

(a) Has collected the amount of tariff charges represented in a freight bill presented by it as the total amount of such charges, and

(b) Thereafter presents to the shipper another freight bill for additional charges—

the carrier may extend credit in the amount of such additional charges for a period of 30 calendar days from the date of the presentation of the freight bill for the additional charges.

§ 1320.6 Computation of time.

Time periods involving calendar days shall be calculated pursuant to 49 CFR 1104.7(a).

§ 1320.7 Charges under average demurrage agreements.

(a) *Conditions for special credit rules regarding demurrage charges.* The rules in paragraph (b) of this section shall apply to demurrage charges, if—

(1) The amount of demurrage charges is determinable under average agreements made in accordance with tariff provisions, and

(2) The carrier takes reasonable actions to assure payment of the tariff charges within the credit period.

(b) *Special credit rules for demurrage charges.* When both conditions in paragraph (a) of this section are met, the carrier may—

(1) Delay presentation of bills for such demurrage charges for a period not exceeding 15 calendar days after the end of the authorized demurrage period, and

(2) Extend credit, in the amount of the demurrage charges accrued during the demurrage period, for 15 calendar days from the date of presentation of the bill for such charges.

§ 1320.8 Household goods shipments by motor common carriers.

(a) *Exceptions—Household goods “collect on delivery” shipments.* The regulations in the other sections of this part and in paragraph (c) of this section do not apply when the carrier is required by 49 CFR 1056.3(d) to relinquish possession of an otherwise “collect on delivery” household goods shipment in

advance of payment of all of the charges.

(b) *Charge card reversed transactions.* The regulations of this part apply when—

(1) Charges for household goods movements are paid by use of charge cards pursuant to 49 CFR 1056.19, and

(2) The shipper forces an involuntary extension of credit by the carrier by causing the charge card issuer to reverse the charge transaction and charge payments back to the carrier’s account.

(c) *Exceptions—House goods credit shipments.* The provisions in paragraphs (c) (1) through (3) of this section are exceptions to the other regulations in this part. They apply to credit extensions for household goods transportation by motor common carriers (except as provided in paragraph (a) of this section)—

(1) A freight bill shall be presented within 15 days (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays) of the date of delivery of a shipment at its destination.

(2) The credit of period is 7 days (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays).

(3) Motor Common carriers of household goods must provide in their tariffs that—

(i) The credit period shall automatically be extended to a total of 30 calendar days for any shipper who has not paid the carrier’s freight bill within the 7-day period.

(ii) Such shipper will be assessed a service charge by the carrier equal to 1 percent of the amount of the freight bill, subject to a \$10 minimum charge, for such extension of the credit period, and

(iii) No such carrier shall grant credit to any shipper who fails to pay a duly presented freight bill within the 30-day period, unless and until such shipper affirmatively satisfies the carrier that all future freight bills duly presented will be paid strictly in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the Commission for the settlement of carrier rates and charges.